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### WHY THE EGGS COME HIGH.

A correspondent who writes to The Times in a tone of simple common sense that indicates possession of information whereof he speaks, tells some truth about the high cost of eggs.

The price of eggs has gone skyrocketing, he says, because the cost of living-for hens-has gone up there. That's all there is to it. If It costs 20 cents a dozen to raise eggs when chicken feed costs on the basis of 100, then it costs twice as much to raise eggs when feed and everything else goes to a basis of 200. Eggs are in the same tase as milk. The trouble isn't with Brindle or Biddy; the one can produce as much milk as ever, the other is as hungry, or has had her head cut off President. and been put into the pot.

It is a fact, of the commonest portunity for knowledge of such subdoesn't help a bit. It's a condition, not a theory.

### THE NEXT HOUSE AND ITS SPEAKER

In the membership of the next House of Representatives will be a Socialist, a Progressive, an Independdent, and a "Progressive-Protectionist." They might not seem a highly impressive group, in a body with 435 members. 'Yet it is quite possible that in their hands will lie the power to determine whether Democrats or Republicans shall organize ' the House, control the Speakership, and dominate the committees.

Seemingly the Democrats have not a majority in the House, which is 218. They are likely to count 215, according to the latest reports; so they will need some of the members of this group of political nondescripts in order to organize.

Controlling the House is not the same game it was a few years ago. The Speakership is not the thing; it is the Committee on Ways and Means, whose members are elected by the House, and which names the committees of the House. There are at present twenty-two members of Ways and Means, eight Republicans and fourteen Democrats. In a House so evenly divided as the next, will be, the dominant party would have to divide this committee on the basis of 12 to 10. Should it prove that the independent group possesses a balmight easily dictate their own terms; has no right to intrude itself in this so near as to make it almost Demothey could all insist on places on the Ways and Means Committee, if they liked, and thus get a very big part in making up the committees; or, they could make terms to their advantage, and get whatever else they liked.

Lord Randolph Churchill once pretty nearly bossed the British government with a party comprising four members. The despised independents may boss the next House.

Our British and German editorial friends, who went to bat before they dence. were called, and struck out by commenting of the election results when they thought Hughes was elected, find that the joke was on them. However, they were in no more uncomfortable scrape than a good many

suggests, on the whole, more of ig- to have the President chosen norance about American conditions by direct popular vote. Ideally, Germany displayed fear lest Mr. perhans it would. But this than anything else. The Germans in Hughes, who is quite unknown there, country is not governed under an politics is a great game. might be dominated too decisively ideal system; and it does not require by Colone' Roosevelt. The British a bold person to protest that the been hard indeed to find a political press made the painful mistake of Electoral College system is fairer voicing some of the spleen that has than a direct popular vote would be. lieved the women's votes would win commonly been repressed, and a number of newspapers made comments on President Wilson that they within its own citizenry. There ment; Hughes was for it; and the would be glad, now, to have left un- never has been a time from the be- great organized women's forces were made. Still, on both sides of the ginnings when qualifications for vot- determined to show their power by North Sea, the observations indi- ing were anything like uniform punishing Wilson. Instead, their

The Washington Times especially since the submarine raid it in proportion to the number of America getting seriously resentful, people would have a long advantage. no matter what indignity were im-

strict letter of neutrality.

than it has been in war time.

### THE PRESIDENT'S TRIUMPH

President Wilson is re-elected, turns. But the probability is that half its men—the black ones; Caliin the conclusion the total will stand women. So, this year, on the basis Wilson 272, Hughes 259. As 266 of votes actually cast, Iowa would cide, the election proves the closest of Alabama, and California somewilling to lay and likes to cackle as ever held, except in those coses in thing like eight times. It would al-well as ever. But Brindle can't give which the Electoral College failed most eliminate the South from real down unless she's fed, and Biddy is to elect, at all, and the House of importance in the choosing of a reticent about laying if she is Representatives had to select the President. In 1912 the total vote of

knowledge to people with any op- party has lost heavily in the Senate their voice in the selection of a jects, that dairy herds are being bemocrats will control the new Sendate, but they seem to have lost the ously endanger the devotion of such photoplays ON THE ple who discover that there is no House. They surely would have lost States to the Union. profit in raising milk, and good the Senate as well, if the country had Results attained through the Elecmioney in raising other things on been choosing an entire new Senate, toral College system are, on the the farm. Hens are being sold or instead of only one-third the mem- whole, much more fair and represenkilled and eaten by people who dis- bers of that branch. So the pro- tative than would be the results from sover that it doesn't pay to feed portions of the personal expressions a popular vote-so long as the hem at present prices of feed. To in behalf of the President are more wile the cow and the hen, or ac- impressive than perhaps they have now. cuse the farmer of being a robber, ever been for any President. It is mere conjecture thus far as to how much Mr. Wilson ran ahead of his ticket, in the country as a whole; but in State after State there is a monotonous iteration of the report that the national ticket led the Democratic State ticket all the way from a few hundreds to many thousands. Gentlemen who, in the tensity of

excitement over the closest Presidential election in a generation, emit loose talk about frauds, corruption, contests and the like, have their parties any good. The country is going to accept the result in good faith. There has been no confirmation of any allegations about corruption, either in the casting or the counting of the ballots. The Democratic management made charges, before the polling, that now sound curiously hollow and silly. The Republicans were getting ready, they said, to buy the election. Later, when it became apparent that the result depended on a group of very close States, they charged that the steal it. A result which shows the Democrats victorious, with the Presthere was for either accusation. The attempted interference with the States' business of canvassing their own votes was in exceeding had taste, and worse. Federal authority affair. Each State has its own machinery, and each State is the exclusive authority over the counting and canvassing of its vote. The threat of Federal interference was a vicious perforamnce. There was at no hour the least reason to suspect that the result would not be honestly reeficted by an honest count of the ballots.

In the conclusion of the matter, it THE FUNNY POREIGN COMMENT has carried the country, and that the Democratic party and its policies have been denied a vote of confi-

### POPULAR AND ELECTORAL VOTES

The observation is heard very often, in times when Presidential elec-American publicists of greater or tions call attention to the eccentrici-less caliber, who were sure too soon. ties of the Electoral College The comment of the foreign press system, that it would be better

termine the qualifications of voters son was against the Anthony amend-

friendly tone toward the President, population of the States. To place themselves,

off the New England coast, which voters in the State would be unfair seems to have convinced Germany because the State that was most that there wasn't much danger of liberal in giving the ballot to its

The situation may be illustrated posed. British comment unfriendly by taking three States that have apto Wilson was projected from a proximately the same population and theory that the United States ought the same strength in the Electoral to have been more actively and ef- College, but that have different confectively friendly to the cause of the ditions surrounding their qualificaallies, and that Mr. Wilson was re- tions for voting. Alabama has a sponsible for its insistence in the population just a little less than California or Iowa; and on the basis Responsible official people in the of population gets twelve electors. warring countries have maintained while Iowa and California have thirextreme reticence. Their extreme teen each, because they have slightcare about making any expression is ly more people. Suppose, however, reflection of the feeling that the that these three States had electime is at hand when America will tors in proportion to votes cast. In be a more important figure, in con- 1912 Alabama cast 104,000 votes: section with world reorganization, Iowa cast 465,000; California cast 576,000. Iowa would have had four times as much voice as Alabama in making a President, and California five times as much.

The disparity is much greater with 272 electoral votes in his when comparison is made between column and a chance to gain a few Alabama and California as they vote more on completed and official re- today. Alabama denies the vote to electoral votes were needed to de- have about four times the influence ten Southern States was consider-It must be set down as a personal ably less than that of the single triumph for the President. His State of New York. To cut down and House. It is probable that the President would be manifestly un-

"popular" vote varies so widely as

### SURPRISES IN THE VOTING

One of the early signs that something astonishing was in the political atmosphere, was the vote of Milwaukee in the Presidential primary early in the summer. President Wilbeen doing neither the country nor The most German city in the country

Republicans were getting ready to German centers; the Republicans ident running far ahead of his party man center. The Germans are very strength, indicates how little ground strong in Omaha, yet Nebraska goes Democratic, though Omaha's Gerappearance of Federal judicial of- man vote was counted likely to be a ficers in conferences which aimed at powerful factor against Democratic success in the State.

New Hampshire requires explanation that is not at all obvious. If it hasn't gone Democratic, it has come cratic. Doubtless the explanation dates back to the State's revolt against the old Boston and Maine regime which bossed it for many years. Under Churchill, Bass, and others, the protest took form; there came an awakening; the State accidentally chose a Democratic Senator four years ago because of the Republican split; there was war prosperity in its industrial centers, and must be said that President Wilson the rural population may be assumed to have been influenced largely by the kept-us-out-of-war argument.

Looking for surprises, again, who would have guessed, after reading the sort of literature that has given us our impressions of Alaska, that it would go dry? Well, it is now claimed that every town in the Territory went dry, and that prohibition had one of its most sweeping victories there! Doing this, Alaska turned its back on "Jim" Wickersham, the most loyal, useful, effective representative that any Territory ever had in Congress and elected in his stead a brother of the PAPER ON EUGENICS "Same Old Bill" Sulzer! Truly,

On July 15, say, it would have prognosticator who would have be-Each State is permitted to de- for Wilson. It seems they did. Wil-

North Sea, the observations indicated a very real concern about the among the States. When the Constitution was adopted, universal a struction was adopted, universal manhood suffrage was by no means the rule. Many States had property and other qualifications.

In a union of States, it was mans in America voted: surprisingly friendly to Wilson. There has been developing in Germany a mere anything like uniform among the States. When the Constitutes an article of without arbitration, investigation or any without arbitration, investigation or any seneration.

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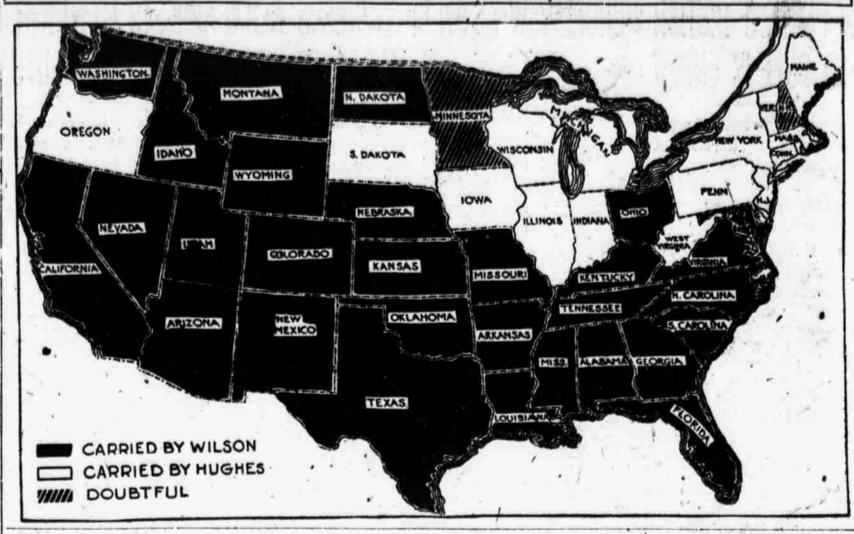
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## POLITICAL MAP AS CHANGED BY ELECTION



# PROGRAM NEXT WEEK

## Special Productions Scheduled For Presentation in Local Theaters.

### Crandall's.

George Broadhurst's stage success.
"Bought and Pald For," adapted to
motion pictures, will be the attraction

plementaary attraction, Hugh Kay will be seen in the Keystone comedy, "She Loved a Sailor."

Other photopiays for the week are: Monday, Marie Doro in "The Lash;" Tuesday, William Nigh in "Life's Shadows;" Wedneyday, Pauline Frederick in "Ashes of Embers."

Thursday, Gail Kane will be seen in "The Scarlet Oath;" Friday, Frank Keenan in "The Thoroughbred;" and Ora Carewe in "Dollars and Sense," and Saturday, Theodore Roberts in "Anton, the Terrible."

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supported by a capable cast, is the featured player.

"The Captive God" will be shown Monday, with William S, Hart and Enid Markey in the principal roles. "Pills of Peril," featuring Louise Fazenda is an auxiliary attraction. Other pictures for the week are:

Tuesday, Donald Brisn in "The Smugglers;" Wednesday, Irene Howley, in "Life's Shadows;" Thursday, Bertha J, Kalich in "Love and Hate;" Saturday, Cleo Ridgely in "The Selfish Woman."

## IN RAILWAY BUSINESS

## Entertaining Treatise in New Railroad Man's Magazine.

An entertaining treatise on practical eugenics in the railroad business forms a part of the sixth installment of "Big Railroading," a series of articles by Charles Frederick Carter, in the Railroad Man's Magazine, which was placed on sale today.

Remarkable gtories and statistics are given of whole families on our railroad and who have passed the same jobs along from generation to generation.

# Don Marquis' Column

headline. No such luck.

On Tuesday-election day-Candidate Fairbanks lost his hat, Candidate Marshall didn't. These paragraphs are written on Tuesday and you get them on Friday. So you Far from the boast of bragging will be able to supply the comment almost automatically.

### Politics in Breathitt County.

From the Jackson (Ky.) Times. In the pretty grove of beeches of other tickets, was an eye-opener. It we made a good many people marvel, by the country of the marked price of the price of t the east bank of the Middle Fork of and the Kentucky river, about two miles Mae Marsh and Robert Harron are co-stars in "The Little Liar." which is announced for showing at Cran-dail's Savoy next Sunday. As a sup-plementaary attraction, Hugh Kay that she did not live in the district. vote. She was refused on the ground that she did not live in the district. and just here the county superintendent will get in and be a witness as to just where the boundaries of school district run. Mrs. Anderson had unquestionably lived in the district heretofore, but, it is said, had been cut off and thrown into the Canoe district. It is further said that just here somebody, said to be Henry Spicer, bounced a rock off of "Duckem" Clemmons head and rendered him hors de combat and limedia. Apollo.

"The House of Lies," featuring E. Goodrich, will be shown at Crandall's Apollo Sunday. Juan de la Cruz and Herbert Standing have important roles in this picture.

Monday's attraction will be "Each Pesrl A Tear," in which Fannie Ward is star. Tuesday, Ethel Clayton will be seen in "The Hidden Scar," "The Daughter of MacGregor" will be shown Re-Wednesday.

"Life's Shadows," featuring William Wednesday.

"Life's Shadows," featuring William Anderson was found with a bad shot in the leg. Short and Spicer were taken on the river to Athol and from there by a special train to Lexington and to the hospital, to see what could be done to save their lives.

Itight here we might say that sooner or or later most Kentuckians get to a hospital to be treated for gunshot wounds.

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There came near being the same of an affair at Haddix, and if an affair at Haddix and if an affair at Haddix and if an affair at Haddix and if an affair at Had him hors de combat, and Alfred Keene, said to have been drunk, got into it with Bradley Short, son of

kind of an affair at Haddix, and if the opposing candidates, Doc Bryant and George Spurlock, had not been more in favor of peace and decency than determined to hold office and had not got together and begged the election officers to call it off there would probably have been more killing. Also the news is that on Troublesome, near Buckhorn, there was a fine chance for a duplicate of the Middle Fork business, and all in the name of the public schools. These

"Is Cratory a Lost Art?" asks a things are working an untold injury to the county, her schools and her people.

## The Workers.

The spider weaves its web Pridefully and skillfully in a way

Weaves it displayful of cunning artis-Suspending its gorgeous patterns, be-

youd the dream of man's creation. From the ceiling in the corner of my

SCOUT NO. 1738 REPORTS Sir: It might interest these wishing coffee to know that they can order it at M. J. Coffey's cafe, Broadway and 17th street, or at Eugene Coffey's cafe

He is imprisoned behind an embroid-ered mut on the wall in a Chinese res-

He was showing great signs of disr Archy looked starved.

Poor Archy looked starved.

I was afraid to let him out for fear
he would est my "chow-neein."

However, I gave him a big noodle to
save him from death until I could get save him from death unit free him or your advice whether to free him or —N. G. I.

"New York," writes F. B., "doesn't seem to get as enthused over the promised advent of Billy Sunday as some of oursether fair towns. Is it possible that New York is able to discriminate between strictly emotional religion and the more steadfast sort? Or does New York look on it as just another big show? Or is Billy losing his punch?" We dunno. We'd hate to think Billy

was We dunno. We denote the was losing his punch—it would grieve the us to write sic transit gloria Sunday.

DON MARQUIS.

## NEARBY STREAMS BEING POLLUTED

## **But Additional Sewers From** Suburbs Not Health Menace. Says Supt. Phillips.

Increase in the pollution of streams ntering the District was noted during the year ended June 30, according to the annual report of Asa E. Phillips. superintendent of sewers.

## WASHINGTON TODAY

fey's cafe, 125th street and St. Nicholas avenue, or at James Coffey's cafe, 253 Eighth avenue.

Where Is Archy?

Sir: I met Archy on a Staten Island ferryboat the other day. It is my impression that he is riding back and forth because he is unable to make a landing, being afraid that he will be trampled on in the rush if he attempts to go ashore when the crowd does.

Sir: Hurray', What do you thinks the state of the Board of Trade with executive committee of the Board of Trade with executive committee of the Board of Trade with executive committee. Of the Board of Trade with executive committee of the Board of Trade with executive committee. Of the Board of Trade with executive committee of the Board of Trade with executive committee. Of the Board of Trade with executive committee of the Board of Trade with executive committee. Of the Board of Trade with executive committee. Of the Board of Trade with executive committee of the Board of Trade with executive committee. Of the

ities, mezzanine parlor, New Willard, p. m.
Address, "The Shakespeare Tragedies." Red. Earle Willey, before Shakespeare Society of America, auditorium, Calro, 5 p. m.
Meeting, Home and School Association 6: Eastern High School, with addresses by D. John Van Schalek and Dr. Willard S. Small. Eastern High School, 8 p. m.
Election of officers. Story Tellers' League. New Willard, 8 p. m.
Meeting, Carbery Alumni- Aesociation, drill hall, Eastern High School, 8 p. m.
Dance, Immaculate Social Club, private ball room, Immaculate Social Club, private ball room, Immaculate Conception School, Eighth and N streets northwest, 8 p. m.
Exhibition, water colors, by Rear Admirs. Charles Henry Davis, Corcorah Art Gallery, 2 a. m., to 4 p. m.
Meeting, D. A. II. State committee on parriotic education, at home of Mics Ada Boyd Glassie, 1.39 S street northwest, 420 p. m.
Meeting to form branch of Just Government Loasue of Maryland, in Prince George': county Riverdale, 2 p. m.
Masonic—Hope, Ne. 20: Anacostia, No. 21 Capitol, No. 11, of the Royal Arth, Telloma, No. 12, and Chihedral, No. 14, of the Eastern Star.
Odd Fellows—Central, No. 14 Metropolis, No. 16. Phoenix, No. 28.

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16; Phoenix, No. 28.
Knights of Fythias-Syracusians. No. 17,
Rathbone, No. 29. Rathbone Temple, No. 17,
of the Pythian Sisters.
Services, Adath Israel Synagogue, 8 p. m.
Lecture, "Haiti and Her Problems," H. W.
Purniss, Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel.
Howard University, 8 p. m.
National Union-McKinley, No. 982, Waghington Hall; National Capital, No. 447. National Bank Hell, and Georgetown, No. 1011.
Petomac Savings Bank Hall.

## Amusements.

National Sarah Bernhardt, \$15 p. m. Belasco- 'The Merry' Wives of Windser,' Belasco—'The Morry Wives of Windser,
5:15 p. m.
Keith's—Vaudeville, 2:15 and 3:15 p. m.
Poll's—'Broadway After Dark('5:15 p. m.
Gayety—Burlesque, 2:15 and 3:15 p. m.
Lycaum—Burlesque, 2:15 and 3:15 p. m.
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Locamos—Vaudeville, 1:15 to 11 p. m.
Locw's Columbia—Photoplays, 11 a. m. to 18:56

p. m. Moore's Garden-Photoplays, 10 a. m. to 11 p. m. Moore's Strand-Photoplays, 18 a. m. to 11

Tomorrow.

Address. "Actius Bincerus Sannazarius. a Vergilian of the Renaissande," the Rev. John F. Quirk, S. J., before Washington Classical Club. Gunston Hall, S. p. m. Meeting, Missouri Society of the District, with address, by Commissioner Brownlow, Rauschers, S. p. m. Dance, Home Club, S. p. m. Illustrated lecture. "Poor Man's Fuel—Sugar," Dr. Frank Yeigh, at American University, S. p. m. Patriotic exercises and planting of tree at Mt. Vernon, by ladies of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs, 11 S. m.

s. m. Fellows-Canton Washington, No. 1, Patriarchs Milicant. Pythias -Ways and means

Tobie PAUMCARTEN. President Indian Theorem Charlies, Washington, Nov. 5, 346,

## THE TIMES MAIL BAG

Communications to the Mail Bag must be written on one side of the paper only: nust not exceed 200 words in length, and must be signed with name and address of the sender. The publication of letters in The Times' Mail Bag does not mean the indorsement by The Times of the opinions of the writer. The Mail Bag is an open forum, where the citizens of Washington may argue most questions.

Reduction in Consumption of Milk | movement. If an investigation by ar Is Suggested as Means of Combating Increase in Price. To the Editor of WHE TIMES:

True to the influence of a dangerous example, of rendering a snap verdict

lie opinion, to lend their aggressive co-operation in this commendable and just

impartial committee finds a just ground for the advance, then we all must bow to it. ELIJAH E. KNOTT. Washington, Nov. 2, 1916.

Head of United Hebrew Chariteis Thanks The Times. To the Editor of THE TIMES:

Permit me to extend my thanks for cour editorial of today regarding the work of our organization. It is gratifying that our work in the interest of the poor has met with your

approving notice